

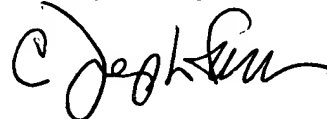
### REMARKS

This second preliminary amendment is being filed in response to the Advisory Action dated October 12, 2001, in connection with parent co-pending application Serial No. 09/445,590. In the Advisory Action, the Examiner indicated that the proposed amendment filed on September 24, 2001 raises a number of new issues, which applicants traverse. In the Remarks section of the After Final Amendment, applicants did identify original support for the newly-added claims, and why the claims were believed to be allowable.

An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Please charge any fees which may become due to Deposit Account No. 02-1437 (Docket No. 204.00CON).

Respectfully Submitted,



C. Joseph Faraci  
Registration No. 32,350

Baxter Healthcare Corporation  
PO Box 15210  
Irvine, Ca 92623-5210  
Telephone: (949) 250-6827  
Facsimile: (949) 474-6330